GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NEW LEGISLATION TO COMBAT TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to bring new legislation to combat terrorism in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the same is likely to be implemented in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYA SAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c) : On the advice of this Ministry, the Law Commission of India has submitted the Draft Prevention of Terrorism Bill, 2000.The draft bill seeks to provide Law enforcement agencies with suitable powers to effectively deal with the growing menace of terrorism in the country. It also contains provisions for checking misuse of the powers by investigating agencies. The government has invited the views of all the State Governments on the various provisions of the bill. The Government will hold consultations with political parties and other concerned agencies/groups before taking a final view. No time frame can be laid as to when the draft Bill can be brought before Parliament.